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FOR: : DRIVE DEVICES AND)
METHOD FOR DRIVING)
A PROCESSING MACHINE)

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, and with MPEP Section 609, the materials listed on the enclosed form PTO/SB/08a are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the non-U.S. patent documents are enclosed. Copies of the U.S. patent documents are not enclosed.

The three documents cited in the International Search Report, which is a part of the published PCT application WO 2004/028805 A1 are listed on the PTO/SB/08a form. U.S. patent Nos. 5,947,023 and 5,481,971 and published application No. 2002/124743 are in the English language. No discussion thereof is required.

The documents cited in the specification of the application, as filed, and as amended, are listed on the PTO/SB/08a form. DE 37 30 625 is accompanied by an

English language abstract that was obtained from a commercial database.

DE 42 14 394 is the equivalent of U.S. patent No. 5,309,834. No discussion of that English language document is required.

EP 1 287 987 is the equivalent of U.S. patent No. 6,679,172. No discussion of that English language document is required.

EP 1 151 865 is the equivalent of U.S. patent No. 6,539,860. No discussion of that English language document is required.

WO 97/11848 is the equivalent of U.S. patent No. 5,947,023. No discussion of that English language document is required.

The various other documents listed on the PTO/SB/08a form were brought to the attention of the undersigned without comment.

DE 42 10 988 is accompanied by an English language abstract that was obtained from a commercial database.

DD 105 767 does not appear to have an English language abstract or equivalent. It appears to show a motor control arrangement.

WO 98/16384 is the equivalent of U.S. patent No. 6,446,553. No discussion of that English language document is required.

EP 1 004 437 is the equivalent of U.S. patent No. 6,281,645. No discussion of that English language document is required.

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DE 195 27 199 does not appear to have an English language abstract, or equivalent. It appears to show a printing machine with a plurality of cooperating

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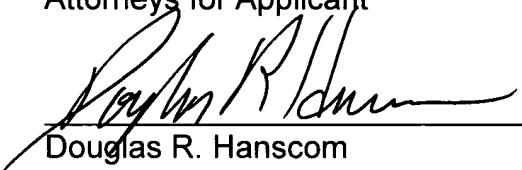
cylinders that are driven by separate motors.

Entry of these materials into the file of the subject U.S. patent application, and their consideration by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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